

# Westtown Township Planning Commission Mission Statement

The mission of the Westtown Township Planning Commission is to advise and make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors on issues of land use, land development, subdivision, ordinance amendments, zoning and the comprehensive plan.

## How the Westtown Township Planning Commission Operates

The Westtown Township Planning Commission is an independent, volunteer panel of seven citizens appointed by the Board of Supervisors to serve as an advisory body on issues of land use throughout the Township.

#### Focused on, but not limited to:

- · the promotion of the public health, safety, and general well-being of the community, and
- · accommodation of the constantly changing needs and demands of the community, and
- the evaluation of the overall economic benefit to the Township when reviewing applications, and
- the maximization citizenry-centric recreational activity opportunities

### Resulting in, but not limited to:

- the development of a sense of Township-wide "community", by building upon and preserving Westtown's natural, historic, and scenic features, and
- a continuous process of thorough, thoughtful, and deliberative review of land development that
  is in the best interests of the Township and its residents, and
- the development of policies, programs, and projects that support public and private efforts to meet these ends

#### It does so:

- in accordance with the powers and duties of planning agencies and planning commissions in accordance with Article II of Pennsylvania Municipalities Planning Code, and
- with the guidance of:
  - o the Westtown Township Growth Management Plan, and
  - o the 2013 Open Space, Recreation, and Environmental Resources Plan Update, and
  - o the benefit of citizenry input